

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: IES UTILITIES INC., INTERSTATE POWER COMPANY, n/k/a INTERSTATE POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY	DOCKET NOS. TF-04-209 TF-04-210 TF-04-211 WRU-04-28-150 WRU-04-29-150 (EEP-02-38)
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ORDER APPROVING TARIFFS AND GRANTING WAIVERS

(Issued July 27, 2004)

On June 28, 2004, Interstate Power and Light Company (IPL) filed with the Utilities Board (Board) a request for waiver of 199 IAC 35.12 for both its electric and gas operations. This rule requires, among other things, that a utility file an automatic adjustment of its energy efficiency cost recovery factors by March 1 of each year for the 12-month period beginning at the start of the first billing month that is at least 30 days after the Board's approval of the filing. IPL requests that its cost recovery factors be effective with IPL's August billing period.

Concurrently with its waiver request, IPL also filed proposed tariff revisions, identified as TF-04-209, TF-04-210, and TF-04-211, to its electric and gas energy efficiency cost recovery factors. Revisions were filed on July 26, 2004. Rule 199 IAC 35.12 allows utilities to recover previously-approved energy efficiency costs, deferred energy efficiency expenditures, and estimated contemporaneous energy efficiency expenditures through an annual adjustment. No objections to the waiver request or tariff changes were filed.

The Board has completed its review and will approve the tariffs. The tariffs appropriately recover expenditures allowed by the rule.

The Board will also grant the waivers. IPL and its predecessors have consistently used an August date for changes in their energy efficiency cost recovery factors. See, IES Utilities Inc. and Interstate Power Company, "Order Granting Waivers," Docket Nos. WRU-01-151, WRU-02-150 (2/15/01). The March filing date is not mandated by statute or other provision of law and does not impact public health, safety, or welfare. The standards contained in 199 IAC 1.3 for a waiver have been satisfied.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. Tariff filings TF-04-209, TF-04-210, and TF-04-211, as revised on July 26, 2004, are approved, subject to complaint or investigation, effective with Interstate Power and Light Company's August 2004 billing cycle.

2. The requests for waiver of 199 IAC 35.12 filed by Interstate Power and Light Company on June 28, 2004, are granted.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Mark O. Lambert

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Executive Secretary

/s/ Elliott Smith

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 27th day of July, 2004.